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EUROPE.

BY THE ATLANTIC CABLE.

Spain.

BERGA TAKEN BY THE ROYALISTS.

BAYONNE, August 15.—Dispatches at the Carlist headquarters in this city announce that Berga has been captured by the Royalists.

A CAPTURED CREW TO BE TRIED FOR PIRACY.

MADRID, August 15.—It is reported that the crew of the Deerhound, seized by a Spanish man-of-war for landing arms for the Carlists, will be tried on a charge of piracy.

SOCIALISTS ON THE MARCH.

BAYONNE, August 15.—Eight hundred Galician Socialists are marching on Portugal, where they hope to find sympathizers.

A CALL FOR FIFTY THOUSAND RESERVES.

MADRID, August 15.—The Cortes has approved the bill calling for fifty thousand reserves, that the Carlists and Republican Insurgents may be put down.

England.

THE FETE NAPOLEON AT CHISELHURST.

LONDON, August 15.—At Chiselhurst to-day immense enthusiasm was displayed by several hundred Frenchmen and others, assembled to celebrate the Emperor's *fete* day. After mass the Empress Eugenie and her son gave a reception, and the Prince made the following brief speech to visitors:

"I thank you, in the name of the Empress and my own, for having joined your prayers to ours, and for having borne in mind the way you piously traveled a few months ago. I thank, also, the faithful friends who have sent from afar numerous testimonies of affection and devotion, which we have received. As for myself, being an exile near the tomb of the Emperor, I meditate upon the prospects he left for my guidance. I find for patrimony the principal of national sovereignty and the flag that consecrates it. That principle has been expressed by the founder of our dynasty in words which I shall endeavor to faithfully remember. 'All for the people and by the people.'

Austria.

DIPLOMAS OF HONOR FOR AMERICA.

New York Herald Special.]

LONDON, August 15.—The New York *Herald's* Vienna correspondent telegraphs that prizes will be awarded by the Commissioners on Friday. The following grand diplomas of honor have been awarded to Americans, namely to the United States government for the display of cotton and products; to the National Bureau of Education; to the State of Massachusetts, to the city of Boston, and to the Smithsonian Institute, Washington. Special diplomas for excellence in methods and progress of education and school system. No diplomas have been awarded to sewing machines, as there is too much competition, but all will have medals of merit and progress awarded them. In the machinery department, where the Americans make the most display, medals will be given some fifty exhibitors, averaging about one in three.

Germany.

THE CHOLERA IN GERMANY.

LONDON, August 15.—Dispatches from various places in Germany state that the cholera is increasing in virulence.

THE AMERICAN PRESS AND PRINCE BISMARCK.

BERLIN, August 15.—The *North German Gazette* denounces as a disgusting invention the report in the American papers of an interview with Prince Bismarck in which he is made to say that he would extirpate the idea of God, and substitute that of the State. It declares that Bismarck never used such language or advocated such sentiments, and believes the falsehood originated in the machinations of Jesuits.

Miscellaneous Dispatches.

MADRID, August 15.—One thousand insurgent refugees from Valencia have landed on the coast of Alicante, and are levying contributions on the rich towns.

Marine News.

QUEENSTOWN, August 15.—The steamship Java, from New York, has arrived.

European.

LONDON, August 15, 5 P. M.—Rate of discount for three months' bills in open market is 1 1-16 per cent, below the Bank of England rate. Amount of bullion gone into bank on balance to-day £41,000. Consols for money, 92¾@92⅞; for account, 92¾@92⅞. American Securities—5-20s of '65, 95; do '67, 95⅝; 10-40s, 90¾; new 5s, 91¼; 6s of '81, Refined petroleum, 18¾d. Turpentine, 31s3d@s6d.

LIVERPOOL, August 15.—Cotton steady; middling upland 8¾d; Orleans 8¾d; sales 10,000 bales; speculation and export 2,000 bales; American 5,500 bales; receipts 7,000 bales; November delivery from Savannah and Charleston, not below low middlings, 8.12-16d; shipments of new crop from Savannah and Charleston 500 bales; sales of the week 62,000 bales; export 4,000 bales; speculation 4,000 bales; stock 857,000 bales; American 344,000 bales; week's sales 94,000 bales; American 15,000 bales; actual export 5,000 bales; stock about 584,000 bales; American 45,000 bales. Shipments from Bombay since last report to 15th, 8,000 bales. Yarns and fabrics at Manchester dull and prices rather lower for all articles. 12s@12s 2d for average California white; 12s 5d@12s 7d for choice do. Corn 6s 6d. Beef 54s. Receipts of wheat for the past three days, 14,000 quarters; American 11,000 quarters. Receipts of flour for the past three days, 17,000 quarters; American 6,000 quarters. Other articles unchanged.

ANTWERP, August 15.—Petroleum, 37¾ francs.

NEW YORK.

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SUSPICIOUS PARTIES ARRESTED.

One of the women arrested in Brooklyn last night is Mrs. Weston, wife of the one-armed man found horribly murdered a week ago near Albany, and in her possession was found a seven-barrelled revolver empty, one of the other women was the wife of Emil Lowenstein, and another revolver was found on her with five barrels empty. Another woman, unknown, was also arrested. They were all found in Weston's house on Palmetto street, Brooklyn. It is believed that Weston's wife assisted Emil Lowenstein in murdering her husband, that the wife of Lowenstein witnessed the murder, and the other woman was cognizant of the affair.

Fort Wayne Races.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

FORT WAYNE, IND., August 15, 1873.

To-day closed the first annual races of Fort Wayne Driving Park Association. The interest and enthusiasm manifested throughout the three days' races assures the success of the enterprise. The first race was between home horses for a purse of one hundred dollars, and was won by Victor in three straight heats. The second was a pacing race for horses that had never beat 2:39; four entries—Ground Squirrel, Nettie, Gray Frank and Jim. The last was secured by Squirrel and held through the first heat, winning in 2:45. Gray Frank took the lead in the second heat, but was passed by Squirrel on the first quarter and the heat was taken by Ground Squirrel in 2:33. Ground Squirrel gained last in the send-off in third heat and won in 2:38¼. The running race between Doodle and Kitty Roberts, three hundred yard dash, for a purse of one thousand dollars a side, was won by Kitty by thirty feet. Doodle led first one hundred yards. The closing race for trotting horses, free to all, had only two entries, Red Cloud and Red Jack, and was won by the former in three straight, but very closely contested heats, the horses being evenly matched. Time, 2:38, 2:33, 2:39. The weather was very favorable during the races.

Lutheran Synod in Session—Attempt to Fire a Building.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

LOGANSPORT, IND., August 15, 1873.

The middle district of the Lutheran Synod for Missouri, Ohio and Indiana met in this city yesterday evening, the Rev. H. Schramm presiding. One hundred and fifty delegates were in attendance. The session will last several days.

An attempt was made last night to fire a building next to the Fan Handle freight house. The early discovery of the attempt prevented a disastrous conflagration.

NEWS SUMMARY.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Intelligence has been received that Paraguay, Brazil and the Argentine Republic have signed a treaty of peace.

The United States Treasury car passed through Indianapolis yesterday, coming through from California *via* the Indianapolis, Bloomington and Western Railroad, with a large quantity of California gold on board.

One fatal case of cholera occurred last night at Columbus, Ohio.

A colored man named Jackson was hanged yesterday at Alexandria, Va., for the murder of his wife in February last.

The steamships Bremen and Maine, from Bremen, have arrived at New York.

Up to the present time there have been forty-two deaths from cholera in Chicago.

Embury Park camp meeting, near Dayton, Ohio, closed yesterday, after ten days' services. About 25,000 people visited the meeting. The grounds are to be purchased for an annual camp meeting.

The *Gazette* of Fort Wayne has just been bought from A. Wright & Co. by a joint stock company, with a capital of $50,000. The transfer will be made to-day, and the first paper will be published under the new management on Monday.

Utica races, which had been postponed on account of the heavy rains, took place yesterday.

President Grant and party yesterday left Rockland, Maine, in the revenue steamer McCulloch, for Mount Desert.

A freight train of eight cars on the Madison branch of the J., M. and J. Railroad fell through the trestle near Mt. Vernon, Indiana, yesterday afternoon. Assistant Superintendent E. J. Bordimant was on the train and is reported seriously injured.

One death from cholera occurred at Louisville yesterday, the first case for two weeks. The victim was Mrs Baker, who died after ten hours illness.

THE WAWASSET DISASTER.

The Official Investigation—Testimony of the Captain and Engineer.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 15.—The examination into the Wawasset disaster was commenced to-day at the Treasury Department before George W. Taylor, Acting Superintendent Inspector General of Steamboats; Wm. Rose, Inspector of Hulls at Savannah, Ga., and John E. Edgar, Inspector of Boilers at Norfolk. The main matters of inquiry were, first, the equipment of the steamer; second, the origin of the fire; third, the conduct of the licensed officers both prior and subsequent to the alarm being given. The first witnesses examined were James D. Lowery, Inspector of Hulls, and William O. Saville, Inspector of Boilers, at Baltimore, who made the last inspection, from whose testimony it appeared that the steamer was thoroughly inspected in March last, and everything which the law requires was found there, without a single exception.

Captain Wood, of the Wawasset, at the time of the alarm of fire, said he called to the passengers to keep cool, as he did not see any reason for excitement. He thought there would be time to put out the fire, but in less time than he could now relate the facts, the flames burst out in heavy volumes. The pilot was licensed by the United States, but the captain was not. It was impossible for him to get aft after the fire was discovered. What he did on that occasion he would repeat under future similar circumstances. He thought the fire originated in the fireman's room. No doubt the fire had been burning for some time before the door was opened, which gave a draft to the flames. The engineer was driven from his room in an instant. The mate and clerk generally have charge of the passengers and freight, but at the time of the fire they were trying to save the passengers. Nobody was specially attending to the boats and life-preservers at the time of the fire. Only one passenger was lost. The captain said there were on board one hundred and twenty-five passengers, not counting children. The license showed that the boat was permitted to carry only fifty passengers. The captain said he was under the impression he was allowed to carry one hundred and fifty passengers. Fifty passengers would not pay expenses of the trip. Many tickets were issued for the trip which were not used. The boat was well provided with all the appliances for saving the boat and lives. There were between four and five hundred life preservers, only two of which were shown to have been used. Not a soul would have been lost if the engines had not suddenly stopped.

Robert Nash, engineer of the boat, was examined. He said the tillers were chain and rods, and part of rope from ten feet each side of the wheel. He had always found the firemen attentive to business. The steamer was as well equipped as any boat could be. Nothing whatever was the matter with the boiler to cause the fire. All that was possible to do was done to save the passengers. The flames appeared so suddenly, and the boat was so soon on fire, that no one had time to think.

Mr. Saville was recalled, and said he had known Nash four years. He was a strictly sober and competent engineer, and was always found at his post. His character was good.

The clerk, mate, a number of the crew and several passengers were examined, but nothing new was elicited. The testimony was to the effect that there was no chance for those aft to reach the forward part of the boat. None could tell or even conjecture the origin of the fire. The conduct of the officers was good throughout.

Captain Gedly says the license produced today allowing only fifty passengers to the Wawasset, was erroneous, as he had in his possession the permit signed by the proper officer, allowing for this year as heretofore one hundred and fifty passengers.

THE WEATHER.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER,
WASHINGTON, D. C., August 16, 1 A. M.

PROBABILITIES FOR TO-DAY.

For the Lower Lake region and thence to West Virginia low barometer, southwesterly winds, cloudy weather and frequent rains. For the Middle Atlantic States southwesterly winds, low barometer, partly cloudy weather, with occasional local rains.

For New England southeasterly and southwesterly winds, falling barometer, partly cloudy weather and occasional rain. From Iowa to Michigan and southward to Missouri and Kentucky northwesterly winds and clearing weather, with occasional rain in the river valleys. For the Gulf States southwesterly winds, rising barometer, partly cloudy weather and rain on the Western Gulf coast. For the South Atlantic States southwesterly winds, rising temperature and generally clear weather. Reports are missing from the Northwest, the Northwest and Upper Lakes, the Rocky Mountains and the Pacific coast.

Midnight Bulletin.

AUGUST 15, 1873—10:45 P. M.

PLACE OF OBSERVATION.	Ther.	Wind	Weather.
Cairo, Ill	77	S. W.	Cloudy.
Cincinnati, O	73	S. W.	Cloudy.
Davenport, Iowa	73	N.	Clear.
Indianapolis, Ind	75	S. W.	Cloudy.
Leavenworth, Kansas	68	N.	Clear
Louisville, Ky	78	S. W.	Cloudy.
Memphis, Tenn	79	S.	Clear.
Nashville, Tenn	73	S.	Clear.
New Orleans, La	80	S.	Fair.
Omaha, Neb	62	N.	Clear.
Pittsburgh, Pa	67	W.	Clear.
Shreveport, La	78	S. E.	Cloudy.
St. Louis, Mo	77	S. W.	Clothing.
St. Paul	59	N. W.	Clear
Vicksburg, Miss	81	S.	Clear.
Fort Gibson, I. T	76	W.	Heavy rain.
Keokuk	70	N. W.	Cloudy.
La Crosse, Wis	62	N.	Clear

CRIMES.

Suicide by a Drunken Man.

MEMPHIS, August 15.—Wm. Howard, of Louisville, who is employed on the Masonic Temple, committed suicide last night by cutting his throat with a razor. He had been drinking hard for several days. After cutting his throat he stabbed himself five or six times in the body.

Desperate Encounter With a Prisoner.

MICHIGAN CITY, IND., August 15.—This morning while Charles A. Manning, Deputy Warden of the prison, and Mr. St. John, President of the Board of Directors, were alone in the guard room of the prison, Joseph Simpson, a prisoner, having armed himself with an oaken broad-ax, came into the room and advancing toward Manning exclaimed, "Damn you, I will kill you." The deputy drew his revolver and ordered the man from the room, threatening at the same time to shoot him if he did not obey. The only response the prisoner made was an attempt to strike the deputy with the broad-ax, which he dodged to avoid the pistol, and advancing upon the deputy, who still continued to order him from the room on pain of instant death. At this juncture St. John, who could obtain no better weapon, seized a chair, aimed a blow at the prisoner which unfortunately touched the deputy, who was somewhat in the rear of St. John. The blow, however, fell on the prisoner, but with insufficient force to prevent his further advance. Recovering himself he advanced on the deputy, aiming a blow when the latter fired. Undaunted for an instant, the prisoner still advanced when the deputy fired again, shattering his failing strength the prisoner threw his ax with all his force, narrowly missing the deputy a head, and then fell back, and as he fell the deputy fired the fourth shot. The second shot was fatal as was afterwards discovered. No motive for the murderer's attack is known except that Simpson had previously declared and had an idea that Manning had reported him to the prison directors when he escaped. The Coroner's jury returned a verdict exhonerating Manning from all blame.

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THE BEAVER FALLS TRAGEDY.

The Body Identified by a Pittsburgh Pawnbroker—Verdict of the Coroner's Jury—The Affair Still Enveloped in Mystery.

Special Correspondence of the Pittsburgh Commercial.

BEAVER FALLS, PA., August 14, 1873.

During the day nothing new regarding the tragedy, referred to in former dispatches, has been ascertained, except corroborative of former statements regarding the name of the deceased. The Pittsburgh pawnbroker identified the body as the person who pawned the watch and chain at his office on Saturday or Monday last. This fixes the name, or the assumed name, of the deceased as Benjamin F. Bearss. The pawnbroker stated that the same party had, several times before, pawned the same articles, and always redeemed them. He had frequently been at the broker's and always in the garb of a laborer, some times with the smoke and dust of coal upon him, as if he were a laborer in some of the manufactories of the city.

But little trace of him in the town can be obtained. At about five o'clock P. M. three men came to the gate of the Chinese quarters and sought admission. The watchman in charge gave them permission to enter. They were all of them, evidently, somewhat intoxicated, and remained but a short time. The direction of their departure was not observed, and nothing has been seen of them since, by the policeman, except that he is confident the deceased is one of the parties. The evidence before the Coroner's jury may develope some additional light upon this dark mystery. There is a possibility that the money found in the stream might not belong to the deceased. Some two months since one of the laborers in the cutlery who resides near the race going at evening to dip up a bucket of water, dropped some money from his pocket into the race. It was so dark that he was unable to recover it, and supposing it was swept down stream, looked for it. The appearance of a part of the money would indicate that it had lain in the stream longer than since this mysterious occurrence. The continued investigation before the Coroner's jury did not fix anything definite as to the probable crime, whether suicide or murder. It is one of those occurrences that baffles all efforts at solution. The future may throw more light upon it, but the present is contained in the verdict of the Coroner's jury. Fifty persons were supposed to be Benjamin F. Bearss, came to his death by a wound inflicted by the hand of some person or persons unknown to the jury at the present time. The jury consisted of James Britain, J. A. Cline, William Hoon, Hugh White, John Davis and S. M. Hawkins.

[The above communication was forwarded to us in ample time to reach us for publication yesterday morning, but through some cause as yet unknown was not delivered at this office. —ED. COM.]

ANOTHER OIL SCARE.

Rumored Combination of Capitalists to Secure Control of the Larger Portion of Productive Territory—An Unlikely Story.

The Franklin *Citizen* thus embodies rumors current in the oil region, in regard to a new movement to obtain control of the petroleum trade. We give it for what it is worth, without, however, believing there is a shadow of truth in it:

For weeks past there have been rumors to the effect that a combination of capitalists has been formed for the purpose of getting control, by purchase, of the larger producing territory, with the view of entirely controlling the oil trade. The famous Standard Oil Company is reported to be the head and front of the movement. Vandergrift & Foreman, the Pipe Line men, and other capitalists in and out of the oil regions, are in the deal. The pipe lines are nearly all in the hands of the organization. Large tracts of producing territory have been purchased, and it is said that "refusals" of wells being drilled are being purchased, as far as possible. Vast tracts of territory undeveloped have also been secured by lease or purchase. The low price of oil and consequent embarrassment of many operators render the operations of the combination more successful.

Having once got control of the great bulk of the production, with the full possession of pipe lines, and possessed of an enormous amount of tankage, for storing oil, and given extraordinary privileges and advantages by the railroads, it is thought the combination can control the market for crude oil as well as the refined oil market.

We give the above as rumors which have been floating around for the past few weeks, knowing nothing as to their truthfulness.

POLITICAL.

Ohio.

The Republicans of Huntingdon county have nominated the following ticket, viz: Assembly, W. K. Burchinell; Treasurer, T. W. Montgomery; Commissioner, C. R. M'Cartney; Poor Director, James H. Lee; Auditor, James H. Davis; Jury Commissioner, John G. Stewart; Coroner, John Laporte. The following resolutions were also adopted:

1. The Republicans of Huntingdon county reassert their attachment to the Republican party.

2. We endorse the Administration of Governor of his friends and silenced the detraction of his enemies by the firm and impartial manner in which he has discharged the responsible duties of the board of special legislation, and to protect our people a rightful share of the benefits of our privileges.

3. As the immediate fellow citizens of Hon. John Scott, we take pride and pleasure in commending his whole course in the Senate of the United States, as characterized by fidelity to the trust reposed in the discharge of his duties to the whole Union and in retaining the honorable record of the principles of the Republican party. His action in opposing and refusing to accept the extra back pay was a realization of the expectations of his friends, know him best repose in his common sense and integrity.

4 We condemn the action of every member of Congress, whether to party, who either voted for the extra back pay, or having voted against, received and kept it.

5. The Huntingdon *Globe* is not deserving of recognition as an exponent of Republican sentiment, but should be ignored as it is at present, as it is simply a medium, bought and used by its editor, and his associates, to gratify their personal resentment, by the defamation of all Republicans who do not agree with them, and being thus only a source of weakness and dissension it is declared unworthy of the support or confidence of the party.

The Harrisburg *Telegraph* has this bit of advice for the Democracy: When the Democratic State Convention, which is to assemble at Wilkesbarre on the 27th, to construct their "salary-grab" platform, shall have adjourned let it get that only a *minority* of the Republicans voted for it, while a *majority* of the Democratic members, with Sam. Randall, Chairman of the Democratic Central Committee, interfering their head, supported the measure heartily throughout; and further that of the fifty-two who failed to vote only twenty-one shake aside to avoid the pistol, and advancing upon the deputy, who still continued to order him from the room on pain of instant death. At this juncture St. John, who could obtain no better weapon, seized a chair, aimed a blow at the prisoner which unfortunately touched the deputy, who was somewhat in the rear of St. John. The blow, however, fell on the prisoner, but with insufficient force to prevent his further advance. Recovering himself he advanced on the deputy, aiming a blow when the latter fired. Undaunted for an instant, the prisoner still advanced when the deputy fired again, shattering his failing strength the prisoner threw his ax with all his force, narrowly missing the deputy a head, and then fell back, and as he fell the deputy fired the fourth shot. The second shot was fatal as was afterwards discovered. No motive for the murderer's attack is known except that Simpson had previously declared and had an idea that Manning had reported him to the prison directors when he escaped. The Coroner's jury returned a verdict exhonerating Manning from all blame.

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SECOND EDITION.

WASHINGTON.

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An Impracticable Suggestion.

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Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 15, 1873.

The Licensing of Steamboat Pilots.

The statement that the Secretary of the Treasury will recommend to Congress that pilots of steam vessels be licensed and employed by the government, is a misapprehension of the proposition of the Secretary as well as an indication of ignorance of the steamboat act of 1871. Pilots under that law are now licensed by and are under the eye of the Supervising Inspectors. A heavy fine is also imposed upon any one acting as pilot or for employing such pilot without a license. In regard to their employment by the government, that is by experienced officers now here declared impracticable. There are 51,000 registered, enrolled and licensed vessels of the United States, which, it is estimated would require at least 5,000 pilots. The demand for river boats would constitute a very large share. To add that number of additional officers to the now-lumbering machine of the Treasury Department would require an extra force of clerks in Washington, and a set at every sea, lake and river port where a number of pilots would in the line of duty congregate. The expense, therefore, would be enormous. The employment of five thousand pilots, at $1,500 each, would cost $7,500,000 a year, exclusive of clerks. Under that arrangement the pilots would probably be paid for full time. But an equally extraordinary proposition, also the invention of the author of the statement is that these government pilots might aid in the detection of smuggling. If there is any use for a pilot, his place is at the wheel, and being there, it puzzles the Supervisors here to see how he can perform the other duty. It is admitted that the present law, rigorously carried out, would answer every purpose. The inspection division is in favor of the appointment of a small number of special agents to secretly travel on vessels and report any neglect of the law.

Missouri State Bonds.

The illegality of the action of the Missouri Legislature in passing a law making the State bonds payable in lawful money, thus repudiating the payment in gold, will shortly be brought to a test in a case with the government. The Department of the Interior, amongst the Indian bonds held in trust, has in its possession Missouri bonds to the amount of seventy-three thousand dollars. These will mature in a few weeks. The Attorney General says, as they stipulate to be payable in gold the government can receive nothing else. A demand will be made, and if refused further steps will be taken. The government will lose nothing, as the Missouri war claims largely exceed that amount and secure the payment of the bonds in coin.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 15, 1873.

THE NEW YORK CUSTOM HOUSE INVESTIGATION.

Mr. Vanderbilt, of the Treasury Department, returned this morning from his investigation. He supposed from the fact that the Custom House, and reports to Secretary Richardson that there was nothing whatever to implicate certain officers in wrong doing. His visit in New York was principally with the removal of anybody, nor had any orders been previously issued for the purpose.

We give the above as rumors which have been floating around for the past few weeks knowing nothing as to their truthfulness.

POLITICAL.

Ohio.

The Republicans of Huntingdon county have nominated the following ticket, viz: Assembly, W. K. Burchinell; Treasurer, T. W. Montgomery; Commissioner, C. R. M'Cartney; Poor Director, James H. Lee; Auditor, James H. Davis; Jury Commissioner, John G. Stewart; Coroner, John Laporte. The following resolutions were also adopted:

1. The Republicans of Huntingdon county reassert their attachment to the Republican party.

2. We endorse the Administration of Governor of his friends and silenced the detraction of his enemies by the firm and impartial manner in which he has discharged the responsible duties of the board of special legislation, and to protect our people a rightful share of the benefits of our privileges.

3. As the immediate fellow citizens of Hon. John Scott, we take pride and pleasure in commending his whole course in the Senate of the United States, as characterized by fidelity to the trust reposed in the discharge of his duties to the whole Union and in retaining the honorable record of the principles of the Republican party. His action in opposing and refusing to accept the extra back pay was a realization of the expectations of his friends, know him best repose in his common sense and integrity.

4 We condemn the action of every member of Congress, whether to party, who either voted for the extra back pay, or having voted against, received and kept it.

5. The Huntingdon *Globe* is not deserving of recognition as an exponent of Republican sentiment, but should be ignored as it is at present, as it is simply a medium, bought and used by its editor, and his associates, to gratify their personal resentment, by the defamation of all Republicans who do not agree with them, and being thus only a source of weakness and dissension it is declared unworthy of the support or confidence of the party.

The Harrisburg *Telegraph* has this bit of advice for the Democracy: When the Democratic State Convention, which is to assemble at Wilkesbarre on the 27th, to construct their "salary-grab" platform, shall have adjourned let it get that only a *minority* of the Republicans voted for it, while a *majority* of the Democratic members, with Sam. Randall, Chairman of the Democratic Central Committee, interfering their head, supported the measure heartily throughout; and further that of the fifty-two who failed to vote only twenty-one shake aside to avoid the pistol, and advancing upon the deputy, who still continued to order him from the room on pain of instant death. At this juncture St. John, who could obtain no better weapon, seized a chair, aimed a blow at the prisoner which unfortunately touched the deputy, who was somewhat in the rear of St. John. The blow, however, fell on the prisoner, but with insufficient force to prevent his further advance. Recovering himself he advanced on the deputy, aiming a blow when the latter fired. Undaunted for an instant, the prisoner still advanced when the deputy fired again, shattering his failing strength the prisoner threw his ax with all his force, narrowly missing the deputy a head, and then fell back, and as he fell the deputy fired the fourth shot. The second shot was fatal as was afterwards discovered. No motive for the murderer's attack is known except that Simpson had previously declared and had an idea that Manning had reported him to the prison directors when he escaped. The Coroner's jury returned a verdict exhonerating Manning from all blame.

The Republicans of Bedford county met in Convention on Tuesday, and nominated the following ticket: Assembly, J. M. Reynolds; District Attorney, H. D. Tate; Associate Judge, Thomas Walker; Treasurer, P. G. Morgart; Commissioner, William Hillegas; Poor Director, S. M. Boor; Auditor, John M'Cann.

The Acker and Witte war in Montgomery county has been resumed with all its old bitterness. In the last *Register* Acker pitches into Helffenstein, Law, Morris and Rex without gloves for running the late County Convention in the White interest. The *Register* declares: "The Democratic party in Montgomery county will never be successful if such liars are sustained. And the Democrats of the county have the matter in their own hands. As long as you sustain rottenness, corruption and lying, the fate of the party is irrevocably sealed."

The Republicans of Bedford county will open the campaign with a grand mass meeting in Bedford on Tuesday evening next. Prominent gentlemen will be on hand to deliver addresses. The County Committee will meet for organization on the same day.

Ohio.

MEETING OF THE DEMOCRATIC STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

COLUMBUS, O., August 15.—The Democratic State Central Committee held a meeting here for consultation to-day. It was decided to leave the plan of the campaign entirely with the Executive Committee. The campaign will probably commence September first.

FROM GALLIPOLIS, O.

Shooting by a Jealous Woman—Murder by a Colored Man—Robberies—Teachers' Institute—&c., &c.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

GALLIPOLIS, O., August 15, 1873.

On Thursday one Mrs. Sullivan, living in Huntington township, shot Mary Tyler, mistaking her for her sister Martha, with whom her husband had been on too intimate terms. The wounded woman is in a precarious condition. Mrs. Sullivan, immediately after shooting, left for parts unknown.

Two negroes, Claive Davis and Mos Keennedy, got into a difficulty on Saturday afternoon, near the city, about a woman, when Davis shot four times at Kennedy, the last shot taking effect in the abdomen, lodging near the backbone. Kennedy died on Tuesday night from the effects of the wound. Davis escaped, and will probably not be apprehended.

The money drawer in the mill of R. Aleshire & Co. was relieved of one hundred and fifty dollars yesterday afternoon, by two professionals who were following Van Amburgh's show, then in the city. No arrests. The tailor shop of Wm. Rust was burglarized last night and between four and five hundred dollars worth of goods taken. An entrance was effected by prying open the front door. Parties are on the track of the offenders.

The Gallia county Teachers' Institute is now in session in this city. Over one hundred teachers are present. President Tappan is expected next week and Prof. Kidd the week following.

The first Farmers' Grange in this county was organized last week in Greene township, with nineteen members.

The Prohibitionists have placed a full ticket in the field, which, from indications, will command a good vote.

In the race between Minnie Moore and Cashier, on the Fair Ground Company's track, for a purse of five hundred dollars, Minnie won; time 3; seconds.

Over 100 bushels of new wheat have been received in this market since the harvest. Much to come in yet.

Advices from the Pawnee reservation, Neb., say the Pawnees are preparing for a war with the Sioux, in retaliation for the attack upon them some days ago. They are said to have about six hundred warriors among themselves, and have invited the Otoes, Omahas, Yankitons and Penjos to join them.

A WOMAN SHOT.

Reckless Work With a Pistol—Probable Involuntary Homicide.

A distressing affair occurred about eight o'clock last evening, on Ohio street, near Chesnut street, Allegheny City, resulting in the wounding, perhaps fatally, of a woman. The lady is Mrs. Fitz Jerx, residing on Howard street, near East street, and it is said that being outside the wounded man is therefrom is all the more dangerous. The cause of the shooting was the careless handling of a pistol between Solomon J. Feil, the proprietor of the tavern known as the Butler Exchange, and Henry Heck. The shooting took place immediately in front of the Exchange, which is No. 289 Ohio street.

It seems that Feil had a fancy pistol in his inside coat pocket. It had been left with him for safe-keeping, and it was loaded. With one hand he pushed back the flap of his coat and with the other drew out the pistol, partly, as stated, to exhibit it to Heck. The pistol either accidentally fell to the pavement or was knocked down by Heck. The last statement made by a number of bystanders, viz: that Heck, for "devilment" or in foolishness, struck it down with his hand. At all events, the weapon struck the pavement and exploded. Mrs. Jerx was passing at the time on her way home, and the ball entered her abdomen passing upward. The woman was noticed to reel as though about to faint, and then she went into the tavern and sat down. It was ascertained she had been shot, and that blood was trickling upon the floor. Mr. Feil, with others, carried her into a room and placed her upon a bed, while a messenger was sent to call Dr. Easton. Dr. Easton pronounced the ball had entered as stated, but at last accounts he had been unable to find it. He says the wound is not fatal, will not prove dangerous, but it cannot be determined until the ball is found. Feil, after seeing to the suffering woman gave himself up and was taken to a cell in the lock-up. He is quite a young man. Heck cleared out upon learning that the woman was shot, and had not been arrested at midnight. The deposition of the woman was taken at a late hour, and until the result of the wound can be ascertained Feil will be held and also Heck if he can be apprehended. Heck resides at No. 15 Center five years of age.

THE CHOLERA SCARE.

Another Case Reported, but Probably Simply Cholera Morbus.

At noon yesterday, or shortly afterwards, report was brought to the Health office that a man had been stricken down with cholera on Penn avenue, near M'Callin's livery stable. On visiting the locality, we learned the following facts. Shortly after eleven o'clock, a man named Peter M'Cormick, employed about the livery stable, was taken with severe cramps, and had to be carried into the saddlery store of John Woolf and laid upon the floor. He grew worse and appeared to suffer excruciating pain. Dr. M'Clane was called in and administered such remedies as he thought proper. He was placed upon his stomach and bowels. The man tried to vomit but was unable to do so, and was relieved by using large quantities of hot water. He was then taken to his home in a wagon by Mr. Woolf. Dr. M'Clane left the man, but while M'Cormick had some of the symptoms of cholera, he is not prepared to say he has that dreadful disease. We learn that the man is now in

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OUR opponents seem as difficult to fit with a name as the "What-is-it" party in Ohio. In Virginia they call themselves the "Conservative" party; in Maryland the "Democratic-Conservative" party; and in Ohio the "Democratic" party. They will have to be known as the "Which-is-it"—in contradistinction from the "What-is-it" party.

MISSOURI is a *State* in which the Democrats have full sway. Whatever it is, to-day, they have made it, and the St. Louis *Republican*—an old-time Democratic organ—thus depicts its condition:

"In our own State we have been compelled to confess with humiliation and shame that the promises of reform consequent upon hurling the Republicans from power have failed of fulfillment, and we as outspoken and independent journalists, must acknowledge that, looking the country over, there seems but little ground to hope for reformation of the evils the country is suffering under the outrageous rule of the dominant party from the accession to power of the Democracy, as officered and manned."

THE Harrisburg correspondent of the Philadelphia *Press*, in attendance at the Republican State Convention, says that GORDON's election will give the West four of the five Supreme Judges, Mr. MERCUR being classed as from the Northwest. Mr. MERCUR, however, is from Bradford county, which is in the North-*east*. There is but one county between him and the Eastern border of the State, where it corners on New York and New Jersey, and Bradford is as thoroughly an Eastern county as Luzerne or Northampton. The whole Apalachian range of mountains interposes between it and the Northwest; and if locality has any influence on a man, Mr. MERCUR is as much an Eastern man as Judge SHARSWOOD or Judge READ.

THE action of the Republican State Convention is very cordially and kindly responded to throughout the State. All of the Philadelphia Republican papers—several of which last year opposed our State ticket—speak out strongly in its support, and, so far, not a single Republican paper in the State has expressed a dissent. The Lancaster *Express* is not enthusiastic, and the Scranton *Republican* does not show a tendency to extravagance in its laudation of the ticket; but both yield to the situation, as do nearly all of those papers which last year were so freely quoted against us. All the indications point to the prevalence of unity and harmony in the party; and as the platform commands the highest approval in all quarters, outside the State as well as in it, we may reasonably expect one of those grand triumphs at the polls which always follow when the Republican party is gratified with its position and harmonious in its action.

THE Democrats are drawing greatly upon their imaginations in representing the "Anti-Monopoly" Convention recently held in Iowa as a Convention of the Granges of the Patrons of Husbandry. It was slimly attended, only thirty-seven out of ninety-nine counties being represented and most of the "delegates" were self-appointed. It was simply a Democratic Convention in disguise, and the farmers of Iowa are too shrewd to permit these bastard husbandmen to steal their livery to serve the devil in. It is due, however, to say that all the Democrats do not take part in the imposition. The Clinton *Age*, a Democratic paper, says of it:

"It is independent of, and in the main in opposition to the Grangers. While it may have in it, here and there, a Granger, it has not, by any means, the Grange organization behind it. We have said its friends have been unfortunate in selecting a name. While the term "anti-monopoly" may be attractive to the more superficial and less responsible class of politicians it can never become a name with which a political party can grow strong or popular. In and of itself it means nothing. There are none of us but are opposed to monopolies. To try and organize a party upon a name that is a name, can never can promise nothing, as far as curing any evils complained of is concerned."

JUDGE GORDON.

The nomination of Judge GORDON for the Supreme Bench has been uniformly received with gratification by our party friends. It was somewhat unexpected, it is true; but he is so well known as an upright and honest man and as a sound jurist, that the entire party falls into his support without a word of fault-finding or cavil. His great ability as a Judge, and his inflexible integrity as a man, alike commend him to the public approval; and while many would have preferred one or the other of the two candidates who contested the nomination with him, for local or personal reasons, all are satisfied with Judge GORDON, and prepared to support him cordially. The only objection, in fact, urged against his nomination, was that of "locality;" and that, in our judgment, at least, ceased to be a valid objection when applied to the selection of judicial candidates. It matters not where a man comes from, who has to act as an arbiter in the court of last resort, so that he is fit for the place; and the fitness of Judge GORDON being universally conceded, there can be no valid or good objection urged to his election.

THE "CHARGES" AGAINST MR. MACKEY.

The New York *Herald* is very unhappy over the Pennsylvania Republican nominations. It was not consulted about them, and as nothing is good in its eyes which it does not originate, it cannot be expected to derive much comfort from the action of a party which has never received any aid from it, and neither asks or expects any.

It talks glibly about grave "charges" hanging over Mr. MACKEY, without knowing what it is talking about. No "charges," at least nothing worthy of that name, have ever been preferred against Mr. MACKEY as a public officer; on the contrary, it is everywhere conceded that he has been an efficient, faithful and honest State Treasurer, managing the State finances wisely, maintaining the public credit intact, and meeting every attempt to defraud the State with resolute and successful opposition.

Last year, it is true, the Philadelphia *Press* made some random insinuations that there was something wrong in the State Treasury; that the monthly balance reported was not really on hand; and that the securities in the Sinking Fund had been tampered with or spirited away. To meet these accusations, Mr. MACKEY invited two of the foremost bankers in Philadelphia—men of high character and unbending integrity—to make a personal examination of the Treasury and the Sinking Fund, to exercise a thorough scrutiny, and to report the facts, as they found them. The examination was made, accordingly; and it was not only searching and impartial, but thorough and complete in its severity; and those gentlemen reported that they found the securities in the Sinking Fund untouched and just as they should be; that these securities were not negotiable, and could not be disposed of in the market, if any one were to try to, sell them; and that every dollar of the reported monthly balance was either in the Treasury or on deposit, the deposits being certified to, all on one given day, by the banks which held them. This testimony,—clear, complete, and impartial,—so effectually disposed of the "charges" against Mr. MACKEY that they were never again pressed, and the political campaign which followed was so thorough a vindication of him, that nearly every voter in Pennsylvania has forgotten that they were ever made.

If it suits the opposition to revive these exploded charges, and make the campaign on them, we cannot object. The defense against them is fully sufficient, and they need not be dreaded. Mr. MACKEY has served three years in the Treasurer's office, and no charge has ever been officially made against him. His accounts have always been found right, and his management of the State finances has always been so masterly, and his unwearied personal attention to his duties so generally satisfactory, that men of all parties, in the Legislature and out of it, have conceded his ability and his integrity, and acknowledged his obliging attentions to every one who has been brought into personal contact with him. His nomination, at this time, is not the result of management or trickery, but is the spontaneous action of the people, and shows that in his administration of the public treasury he has won the public confidence and will receive the public support.

THE AUGUST STORM.

Many of our people have been ere unseemly inclined to think that the heavy storm which has lately visited the entire country was the equinoctial storm, come a month before its time; but in the eastern part of the State this August storm is always looked for, as a matter of course. The Philadelphia *Press* says:

"The extraordinary rain of yesterday, which seems to have prevailed very generally, was anticipated by the farmers, and is known among them as the "Lammas flood," recurring usually from the first to the middle of August. In the calendar the name is derived from the custom of the tenants who held the lands of the Cathedral Church, England, of bringing a live lamb into the church at High Mass on Lammas-day. Some antiquarians believe it is from "*leaf-mass*," or "bread mass," which was a feast of thanksgiving for the first fruits of the harvest; and Dr. Johnson thinks it a corruption of Lafermath—meaning a second mowing of the grass. Valencene, in his Collection, mentions that on the first of August "Lammas" was celebrated by the Druids as the day of the oblation of grain. Shakespeare mentions it in "Romeo and Juliet," in the following line—Act 1st, Scene 3d:

"How long is it to *Lammas-tide?*"

and in the same play and the same scene the nurse exclaims:

"Even or odd, of all the days in the year, come *Lammas eve*, at night, shall she be fourteen."

The unfailing recurrence of the Lammas flood announces the farmers everywhere to make arrangements for the event—which is always one of considerable severity, inflicting incalculable damage upon all kinds of property. The flood of yesterday was unusually heavy, and the accounts we print this morning prove that it has wrought great injury all over the country; but, on the other hand, the rain was so much needed that the benefit conferred upon the crops still in the ground will be more than a compensation for the serious injuries suffered by other interests.

The August, or Lammas, flood is not, however, of regular occurrence in the West, no matter how it may be in the East. A June flood is always looked for, here; a July flood is by no means uncommon; but an August flood is too rare to be looked for with regularity.

The present storm was a general one, extending over the entire country, but spending its main force on the sea coast. The rain-fall is the heaviest experienced at any one time during the year, and exceeding the entire rain-fall of the month of July. Many local disasters have followed the sudden rise of the streams; but the earth was so parched, nearly everywhere, that the rain, with all its attendant troubles, was a most welcome visitor.

In the mountain regions of this State the rise in the small streams was rapid and heavy, and they swept everything before them; while in some places, such as the lower Juniata valley, there were local storms of much greater severity than the general one, and the low-lands along all the streams were completely covered with water. Happily, the damage done is not large, in the aggregate; and the good, to the whole country, is incalculable.

BUILDING RAILROADS WITH BONDS.

The Connecticut correspondent of the New York *Times* writes that the railroads first built in that State were built by companies with nearly sufficient cash capital to complete them, the result of *bona fide* stock subscriptions, rendering it necessary to borrow only comparatively small sums to put the roads in operation. All of these roads now pay well, and their bonds are at a premium. But of late the companies organized have either very small stock subscriptions or none at all, and their roads have been built exclusively by first mortgage bonds. The interest on these bonds has been paid out of the money realized on their sale, thus adding immensely to the cost of the roads; and the result is that not a solitary railroad in Connecticut commenced within the last five years has realized sufficient actual net earnings to pay the interest on one-half of the amount of its bonds and debt; and the people who have been led to invest in these bonds are victimized, to the extent of two-thirds of their investments, at the best, the loss in some instances being total.

The railroads out West justify their heavy rates of transportation on the ground that they cannot otherwise earn enough to pay the interest on their capital stock; and the free traders have tried to show that the tariff has so put up the price of railroad iron as to make the Western railroads cost so much that nothing but high rates can enable them to pay interest on their cost. It will be found, however, upon investigation, that nearly all these roads have been built on borrowed capital. They have but little stock for which the real cash value was originally paid in. They have been built with the proceeds of mortgage bonds and public lands given to them; and as the bonds were sold below par, and have drawn several years' interest out of the principal, the roads have cost twice what they would have done, had they been built on the cash capital of their stockholders.

The case with which these mortgage bonds have been sold has proved a strong stimulus to railroad building, and the West is now covered with railroads built on borrowed capital, at double cost. To meet their obligations, they levy high rates, and will continue to do so until they are forced into bankruptcy, as half of them eventually will be. It is not a pleasant prospect; but it really seems as if we were rapidly drifting into a repetition of the old disaster which overtook the country when it attempted to build railroads exclusively with municipal bonds. It will be a happy deliverance if we can get out of it without a crash; and a still happier event when we can get back to the old method of building railroads with the actually subscribed and paid in capital of their stockholders.

GENERAL AND PARTICULAR.

SUNSET.

We call material this fair world of ours,
And so it seems to gross, material eyes,
That see no beauty in earth's forest flowers,
No heavenly splendors in her sunset skies.
But are there not in yonder gorgeous scene,
A beauty and a grandeur not of earth?
A glory breaking from yon cloudy screen
Revealing to the soul its nobler birth?
Can things material such fair forms assume,
And thus delight and charm the human mind?
Or doth the Spirit its rare shrine
Their inmost depths, from matter now refined,
That man might thus with it communion hold,
And learn of higher things than sense has told?

An ex-United States Treasurer applied to Gen. Spinner, present Treasurer, a few days since for a position as messenger in his office.

A Brooklyn man found Bergh's horse sweating the other day, and filed a complaint against him.

A marriage recently occurred near Walnut Hill, in Warren county, Kentucky, in which the bride was only eleven years old and the groom thirteen.

North Carolina furnishes a larger part than any other State of the 400,000 adults in the country who can neither read nor write.

They are starting a Farmers' Grange in the city of Boston. We always thought the farmers of that town were an oppressed people.—*Norwich, Conn., Adv.*

Ninety-four steamships making one hundred and ninety-two trips, have carried just 18,533 passengers across the Atlantic thus far this year.

Ex-Governor Patton, of Alabama, in a letter to *The South*, says that the dividend paid by the Augusta cotton mills is over twenty per cent. a year. A cotton mill at Petersburg, Va., pays twenty-five per cent. a year. One at Columbus, Georgia, pays over twenty per cent.

The sudden disappearance of a flock of Texas sheep gives rise to the suspicion that the Mexicans are pulling wool over the border.—*Boston Post.*

Mr. Gladstone is answerable for the following amphibious metaphor: "It seems requisite that some solid ground should be laid in these known and familiar questions before we put out to sea, as it may be called.

A New Orleans newspaper complains that both conservatism and radicalism "in the actual order of things correspond respectively to the centripetal and centrifugal forces in the planetary system. Our ongoing is the comprise of their conflict, but whither tends it?"

The advocates of woman's rights will be gratified to learn that the government of Japan is disposed to accord increased consideration to the sex. An order has been issued that all women may stamp important deeds and writings with their own personal stamp, and the Department of Religion has published a notification that six women, whose names are given, have been appointed preachers, and that attention must be paid them, as they are rich in knowledge. The ages of these ladies are also published. They range from 15 to 57 years.

A Sunday school song has been translated into Chinese. It goes this way:

"Mar cingalong,
Wear mar cingalong."

The number of Farmers' Granges now is said to be 5,147.

Philadelphia continues to call for a song for the Centennial. Try "Old Hundred."—*Boston Post.*

I hate anything that occupies more space than it is worth. I hate to see a load of bandboxes go along the street, and I hate to see a parcel of big words without anything in them.—*Haslitt.*

The Troy *Times* offers this seasonable advice: "Look not upon the cucumber when it is wilted, nor green apples, nor other unwholesome truck, for though pleasant to the eye and agreeable to the taste, at the last it biteth like the stomach-ache, and stingeth like the cholera morbus."

The power of love is shown in the case of the lowa girl who went three miles from home to a pasture lot belonging to her father, and cut the throat of a calf, so that when the old gentleman heard of the matter he might hasten thither and thus give his daughter a courting spell with a lover, who had been warned not to appear upon the premises.

"Good blood will show itself," as the old lady with the red nose said.

If Virginia is the "Mother of Presidents," New York is the mother of Vice-Presidents, having furnished four. It is worthy of note that two Presidential election has ever occurred without the Empire State furnishing at least one candidate, at the head or foot of some ticket, generally the latter.—*Chicago Journal.*

A lonesome looking man called at the Washington Savings bank, in Savannah, the other day, and deposited his money, because he knew that George would never let his bank bust.

The farmers of Illinois have found out at last that it will pay to make a first class article of butter, and they make it. There is a demand for it for consumption in Chicago and for shipment.

PERSONAL.

Rev. Richard S. Storrs, D.D., pastor of the First Congregational church of Braintree, Mass., and father of the eminent Dr. Storrs, of Brooklyn, died on Monday at the advanced age of eighty years.

The results of Miss Emily Faithfull's recent visit to this country are four lectures which she is now delivering in England on the following subjects: "Eight Months in America," "English and American Orators," "American Poets," "The Present Aspect of the Woman's Movement in America."

Mrs. Webb prefers a whole Methodist minister to a fraction of Brigham.

General Butler thinks he will be too busy harvesting to speak at the New Hampshire State Fair.

John M. Landon, of Greenville, Alabama, aged ninety-six, does as much farm work as any other young man. His wife is a young lady of eighty-six, and his oldest son is a healthy lad of seventy. The ages of his remaining ten children are not given.

Victor Hugo recently addressed an eloquent letter to the Duke de Broglie, in which he urged the release of Henri Rochefort, on account of his literary eminence. The Duke has replied, declining to interfere with the course of justice, and remarking: "The intellectual ability of the offender only seems to increase his responsibility."

Mr. W. S. Gilbert, the dramatist, was recently fined twenty shillings and costs, at the Westminister Police Court, for refusing to show his season ticket upon the Metropolitan Railway. Mr. Gilbert insisted that the production of his visiting card ought to have been sufficient, as he was a well-known holder of season tickets. Everybody has been laughing at the author of "The Wicked World" in consequence.

George Watson, a London newsman, has been sentenced to one month's hard labor for crying a falsehood through the streets in order to sell an extra number of papers. He made some little money from the falsehood, which was to the effect that Gladstone had fallen dead in the House of Commons; but he aroused the enmity of a sturdy Briton who jumped out of bed to get the news, and was complained of, with the result stated.

The workingmen of London have presented Lady Burdett-Coutts with a memorial of their appreciation of the practical efforts she has made to ameliorate their condition. From a fund they had raised among themselves, and to which there were about two thousand subscribers, many of them giving small sums in pence, they had contemplated presenting the Baroness with a small statuette in marble of herself, but she preferred, as it was their wish so to honor her, to have something commemorative of them rather than herself, and hence the memorial has assumed the form of an oil painting from life of seven representative men among them.

Miss Stetson, of Normal, Ill., has been appointed a medical missionary to India.

Carl Zerrahn has opened a normal school of music in Chicago, harmoniously with his promises.

Joseph Bird, of Boston, is again discussing the question of fires and how to stop them, and reaches the philosophy that the way to prevent a great fire is to stop it while it is a small one.

Another rope-walker, Signor Ballini, is going to cross the Niagara below the falls on a cable, and will wind up by jumping into the river, a distance of 150 feet.

Louise Marie de Bourbon, in religion Sœur Therese de St. Augustine, of the Order of Carmelites, daughter of Louis XV., is about to be canonized by the Pope.

It is said that the French classical drama inspired Offenbach with such disgust while he was musical director at the Theater Francais, that he revenged himself by composing "Orphee" and "La Belle Helene."

Melvin Duff married the daughter of Mr. Miller, without the latter's consent, in St. Louis, about two weeks ago. After the marriage, the father and son-in-law had several quarrels, and the former was killed in one of them on Sunday night.

Miss Clara Barton has been suffering for several months in London from a protracted illness, resulting from her arduous labors in the German hospitals and subsequently at Strasbourg, Metz and Paris during the war. Her malady is a neuralgic affection. She has been slowly convalescing, with occasional severe relapses, for two months, and her friends hope for her early and complete recovery.

Miss Ella Chapin has been appointed Register of Deeds for Gratiot county, Michigan, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her father.

French Magnets.

The *Chemical News* describes two new and powerful French magnets, made according to what is claimed to be a greatly improved system. One of these weighs six kilogrammes, and carries eighty; the other—thought to be the most powerful ever made—carries about five hundred kilogrammes, having a weight ten times less.

It is asserted that the principles on which the best possible magnet may be constructed from plates of a given steel of a given length are briefly these: The contact should conceal the entire magnetism expanded over the exterior surface of the magnet, and for this, a sufficient mass should be given it; this mass—given the surface of adherence—should be reduced till one perceives an increase in the small amount of free magnetism which the application of the contact leaves on the magnet; the length and breadth of the plates being determined, their number should be sufficient to cause a little free magnetism to appear on the magnet when the contact is applied—if their number is less, the limit of permanent force is not reached, and, if greater, nothing more is gained; the armatures should be strong and well applied, but their weight should not be exaggerated.

A Poor Kentucky Widow Finds $5,000 in Gold.

Mr. M. S. Lyon, of Miller & Lyon's notion house, reports the case of a poor widow residing near Cullen, Ky., between Morganfield and Marion in Crittenden county, who has found a treasure. One day last week she was digging potatoes, which were planted on the site of an old cabin, which had been torn down, when she uncovered a stone which she thought was in a strange place. She examined the spot and continued her digging until she uncovered the stone, which, on removal she found to cover an old pot containing $5,000 in gold coin.

The cabin which had once stood on the spot was once inhabited by an old Irishman of miserly habits, who died some years ago, and it is conjectured that he buried the gold and died without revealing the fact. As the old man was not known to have any relatives, the widow is pretty certain of undisturbed enjoyment of the treasure trove.—*Evansville Journal.*

Metal-Working Apparatus.

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FINANCE AND TRADE.

FRIDAY EVENING, August 15, 1873.

The great proverb collector says, "In a multitude of counselors there is wisdom," and certainly out of the numerous contributions of advice on financial affairs we may hope to gain decided instruction which will lead to a reformation of our disordered monetary systems.

The workings of our National Currency act calls forth more suggestions than any kindred subject, and to the existing treatises we have a new contribution to financial literature from the pen of a New York bank cashier, which is worthy of attention. Speaking of the proper regulation of bank reserves, detailing the evils of the system, familiar to all who have thought on the matter, the following remedy is suggested:

"Amendthe banking law so that, first, all banks shall be prohibited under severe penalties, from increasing their circulation as far as they now reserve any gold or good certificates on which they shall have in any manner issued or advanced currency; second, by increase amending, so that fastenst of the present inflexible limit of 25 per cent. reserves for the larger cities, there shall be a variable reserve which shall in considerable measure counterbalance the varying demands of the business community at different seasons of the year, and also the flow of the money in the summer season to New York and Eastern cities.

"Such scale of reserves should be fixed somewhat as follows: During June and July, 25 per cent.; March and October, 30 per cent.; and from November 1st to March 1st, 35 per cent., with, if need be, what would perhaps be better still, an abrogation for the latter period of the reserves.

"These two propositions, it is alleged, would unexceptionally tend to secure the results comprehended in the desiderata stated, and would, only by the amendment of State laws, if necessary, to confirm State rights as well as National banks.

"It is said that some of our city capitalists have deposited in the United States Treasury one hundred and ten thousand dollars for the purchase of new silver coin, and have also used presidency in trade transactions with China. The dies of this coin have been transmitted to the mint at San Francisco and Carson, and the first coin of the assortment to the Orient was made by steamer on the last of August. The silver dollar is to be the coin of the basis the staple specie commodity to commerce between the Pacific coast, San Francisco and the East, has, in consequence of the manipulation of Pacific capitalists, who control the Mexican banks, been reduced in weight and now trade dollar passes for less than that hitherto attached to it, the effect of which will be to give the new trade dollar paramount importance in commercial transactions and force it on the money markets of the East. The Mexican dollar now contains as a premium 2 per cent., and the new trade dollar more than that.

—Messrs. Ira B. McVay & Co. report the following quotations of government and State bonds in New York to-day, as furnished them by Jay Cooke & Co., their correspondents:

	Bre.
1881	119½
1867	117
1864	117
1865	118
1865, new	117½
1867, new	118
10-40s	112½
New 5s	114¾
Gold	114¾
Currency 6s	113¾
Tennessees, old	80
Tennessee, new	81¾
South Carolinas, July	15
North Carolinas, old	27
North Carolinas, new	18
Missouris	92

—James T. Brady & Co., corner of Fourth avenue and Wood street, quote United States securities in New York to-day as follows:

Gold	114¾
United States 6s, 1881	119½
United States 5-20s, 1867	117
United States 5-20s, 1864	118
United States 5-20s, 1865	115¾
United States 10-40s	112¾
United States 5-20s, January and July, 1865	115
United States 5-20s, January and July, 1867	117¾
United States 5-20s, January and July, 1868	117¾
Currency Pacifics	

—The following table shows the prices of railway stocks, gold, &c., at the various sessions of the New York Stock Exchange during the day, furnished by George I. Whitney Esq., broker and dealer in stocks, bonds and gold, corner Fifth avenue and Wood street:

August 15, 1873.	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	1:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.
Gold	114⅝	----	----	----
Gastern	----	----	----	----
West'n Union Tele'ph	91¾	----	91¾	91¾
Pub lic Parks	----	----	41¾	41¾
Pacific Mail	----	----	94¾	94¾
Adams Express	----	----	----	----
Wells Fargo Express	----	----	----	----
American Express	----	----	62	62
United States Express	----	----	65	65
New York Central	----	----	106	106⅛
Erie	99¾	----	99¾	99¾
Michigan Central	----	----	----	----
Michigan Southern	94¾	----	----	----
Illinois Central	----	----	----	----
Cleveland and Pitts'gh	----	----	----	----
Chicago and N. W.	----	----	----	68¾
Chicago and N. W. pref	----	----	----	83¾
Rock Island	----	----	----	93¾
St. Paul	----	----	31¾	----
St. Paul, pref	----	----	71	----
Wabash	----	----	71	----
Wabash pref	----	----	----	----
Fort Wayne	----	----	95¾	----
Ohio and Mississippi	----	----	----	25¾
Union Pacific	----	----	----	----
Chicago and Alton	----	----	----	----
Chicago and Alton pref	----	----	----	----
Boston, Hart. and Erie	----	----	----	2¾
Harlem	131½	131½	----	----
New Jersey Central	----	----	----	----
C., C. and I. C.	31¾	----	----	----

PRODUCE AND GENERAL MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, FRIDAY, August 15, 1873.

REMARKS.—The heavy rains of the past two days have caused the waters to rise in the rivers and there is now a full boating stage. The weather to-day has been bright and cheerful, and business in the usual marts of trade was a decided improvement over yesterday. Over 500,000 bushels of coal will leave for the markets below up this week.

It is generally conceded that trade has touched its lowest ebb, and that henceforth matters will brighten up and a heavy fall trade soon set in. And with this confident expectation our business men, in the matter of their lines, have made ample preparation to meet the demands that may be made upon them. If choice goods, low prices and accommodating terms will attract trade to this city then it will surely come.

The grain market shows no new features worthy of special mention. New wheat is coming in freely, but as it has not yet gone through the "sweating" process, is not dry enough for grinding. The holders of mills just now find some difficulty in securing a full supply of prime old red and white wheat to mix with the new. But in a few weeks old will be forgotten and the new quietly take its place.

The flour market continues active, the advices from the West inform us that there has been a slight advance in flours, but as dealers here are pretty well stocked it is not likely that they will put up prices, at least for the present.

Groceries continue very active, and notwithstanding the recent reported advance in sugars and coffees in the East, no advance has occurred in this market. And let us here say that we take pride in stating the fact that Pittsburgh roasted coffee is being ordered from all sections of the country.

Bacon rules firm and prices are unchanged. As we have heretofore made mention the stocks held by all leading dealers are ample to meet the demands of the trade.

Apples are coming in freely. The demand for fair to choice is good, hence prices are fully maintained.

We have no change to note in the cheese market. The receipts are fair and holders do not seem disposed to make concessions to effect sales.

There is a better feeling to-day in butter market and prices have slightly advanced. Prime butter falls short of the demand.

Below we give the wholesale prices unless special mention is made to the contrary:

ASHES—Common soda 4½c; refined 6c; pots 9@9½c; pearls 11c; arsenic 4½@4¾c; nitrate soda 4½@5c; black lead 6c.

ALES—English Bass Ale, in kilderkins of 25 gallons, $94; bbls, 45 gallons, $44; hnds, 60 gals, $65; India Ale $11 per bbl; Scotch Ale $11; Scotch XP, XX, $10 per bbl.

APPLES—Receipts 122 bbls. We have no change to note in prices, the ruling figures being $2 50@4 00 ₩ bbl, according to quality.

APPLE BUTTER—We are reported sales at 50@55c ₩ gallon for prime old.

BAGGING—Kentucky—We quote as follows: ½ lb cuts, $1 09 ₩ doz; ¼ lb cuts $1 17 ½ cuts $2 50; 2 lb cuts $27; 10 lb wooden boxes, 45c ₩ lb.

BEANS—Prime white navy $2 50@3 per bush; other grades $2@2 50.

BEESWAX—30@32@36c as toquality.

BROOM CORN—Demand moderately active. Hurl 5½@6c; green 5c; red top 4½c.

BROOMS—A No 1 $3 75; No 1, $3 25; No 2, $2 75; good common $2 25; common $2 00.

BUTTER—Receipts very light, and there is an active demand for the better grades with the tendency of prices upwards. We quote prime at choice at 20 @22c. Medium and low grades nominal.

BACON AND PROVISIONS—As stated above, the market continues active at about previous rates, and we quote as follows: Sugar cured hams 16½c; sugar cured shoulders 11½c; plain shoulders 10c; sides 10½c; clear rib sides 11½c; clear sides 11½c; breakfast bacon 13½c; dried beef 19½c; mess pork 18; leaf lard in tierces 9c; refined lard in tubs 9½c; refined lard in bulk barrels 10½c; refined lard in buckets 11c; refined lard in kegs 11c.

CHEESE—Receipts 619 boxes. The market is unchanged both as regards prices and demand. We quote Ohio Double Factory at 12@12½c; dairy 10@11c; old factory 10@11c; Sweitzer 16@17c; Limburger 15@16c.

COUNTRY MEATS—Market rules quite firm; hams 9@11c; shoulders 6@6c; sides 7½@8c; country lard 8@8½c ₩ lb.

CONCENTRATED LYE—Demand moderate, with sales at $7 50@8 00 per case.

CANDLES—Demand fair. We quote mould at 11½c; star 9c; star 8c.

CRACKERS—There is a fair trade demand with sales of leading brands as follows: Butter crackers 5½c per lb; ginger snaps 10½c; lemon sociads, 11c; oyster crackers, 7½c; sugar crackers, 12c; water crackers, 7½c.

CEMENTS—The market is quiet and firm with sales as at the following prices: Louisville hydraulic cement $2 00@2 25; Louisville $2 00@2 25; calcined plaster $4 00@4 50; white lime $2 00.

CARBON OIL—Sales f. o. b. at 13½@14c. The usual advance in spring and summer.

CIDER—Extra cured cider is quoted at $12 ₩ bbl.

EGGS—The ruling quotations for guaranteed fresh are 14c; though the best of even higher figures being paid. The supply is far in excess of the demand at present, and the market rules quiet.

FLOUR—Receipts during the past twenty-four hours 520 bbls. Under Western advices the market rules rather more firm. Prices have advanced from 90 to 25c ₩ bbl westward, but it is questionable whether the same here will be in sympathy with the rise, at least for the present. We quote spring wheat flour at $7 25@7 50. We make no change in red winters and quote at $6 75@7 25. White wheat held firmly at $5 25@5 50.

FISH—Labrador, No 1, $25 ₩ bbl; medium do No 1, $23; bay, No 1, $21; for half barrels, quarters and kits 50 more; lake herring, quarters, $3 15; white fish, $5; lake white fish, half bbls, $7 50; do, quarter bbls, $4 50; lake herring, half bbls, $3 75.

FEATHERS—Strictly prime are quietat 78@80c; mixed and old 40@60c.

GROCERIES—The Eastern advance in sugars has not yet affected the Pittsburgh market so far as we are concerned. True, the market is firm and may go higher; so now is the time to buy. Coffees are in good request and quotations are fully maintained. Choice brands of Pittsburgh roasted coffees are in active demand from all sections of the country. Following are the ruling figures of the market:

Sugars—Crushed sugar, 11¾c; powdered, 11¼c; granulated, 11½c; A, 11c; white coffee A, 11c; Extra C, 10½@11c; Frankin extra C, 10¼c; Delaware extra C, 10c; American extra C, 9¾c; II. G. & Co. B, 9c; other grades 7¾@8¾c.

Coffees—Choice rio 26c; good to prime 24@25c; choice old Government Java 30c; Ordinary 27@28c; 13 packages, 26c.

Syrups—Cuba sugar house, 42@45c; honey, 45c; golden, 50c; Centennial, 60c; Vienna Exposition, 70c; New Orleans molasses, 70@75c.

Rice—Rangoon, 6½c; Patna, 8¾@9c; Carolina, 10c.

Spices—Allspice, grain, 20c ₩ lb; cloves, grain, 40c per lb; ginger, in ½ bbls, 25c; pepper, grain, 30c per lb.

GRAIN—The following are the receipts of the various kinds of grain during the past twenty-four hours:

Corn, sacks	170	Oats, sacks	1,643
Wheat, sacks	1,060	Rye, sacks	126

Wheat remains noticing the peculiarities of the grain market, having made mention of them in our general remarks, we quote as follows: Wheat—New $1 44@1 46; old $1 56@1 60. Oats—Mixed 42@44c; white, 44@46c. Corn—Shelled, on track $2 45@2 47; in store, $2 45@2 50; car, 56@57c. Rye—Market firm at 98@99c. Barley nominal.

HAY—Market dull. Baled, on the track and wharf, $24@25; loose, $25@26 ₩ ton.

HOMINY—Salesat $4 50@5 00 ₩ bbl. Demand moderate.

ONIONS—Sales at $1 50 ₩ box and $4 50@5 00 ₩ bbl.

LARD OIL—Extra No. 1, 75c; No. 2, 65@65@70c ₩ gallon.

MEAL AND FEED—Choice middlings $1 75 ₩ 100 lbs; good seconds, $1 30; shorts 80c; chopped corn and oats $1 35.

FRUITS—The market is fully supplied and prices are governed entirely by the quantity of the articles coming in. Good peaches are selling at 75c@$1 per crate; grapes and plums $5 50 per stand; watermelons coming to "sign and seal."

POTATOES—The demand is fair with sales at 25 @ 30 ₩ bbl. Sweet potatoes are selling readily at $6 @ $6 50 ₩ bbl. Jersey sell at $7 @ $8.

PEANUTS—Are firmly held at 8½@9c per lb.

HAGS—Sales are made at 25c ₩ lb.

SOAP—The following are the ruling figures for the brands named: Oil soaps, 5c ₩ lb; scrubbing 4c ₩ lb; woman's friend 5c ₩ lb; Gardenia, olive, 7½c ₩ lb; chemical, olive, 7½c ₩ lb; Babbitt's 10c ₩ lb; 4XX 10c ₩ lb; Armstrong's, 5c ₩ box; country soap 3c ₩ lb.

SAPOLIO—Per case of 6 doz $6; hand do, $5.

SPICES—Pittsburgh, 25@30c; ground, 30@35c.

TALLOW—Sales at 8@8½c ₩ lb. Demand good.

VINEGAR—Good cider vinegar is in fair demand at 18c ₩ gallon. Sugar drips 12c ₩ gallon.

WHISKY—Highwines 95c@$1 ₩ gallon.

WOODEN WARE—In good demand at $5 50; three hoop do $2 75. No 3 nuts, $3; No 2 do, $10; No 1 do, $16 75; wash boards, INL, $2 50@3 00.

The Califo nia Wine Trade.

The Quarterly Wine Circular of J. M. Curtis, just issued, says the wine market for the past quarter has been dull and unsatisfactory, and the first part of the year, with reference to the export demand, when the local trade has been without animation. The prospects for the future are quarters of the year ending June 30th, are given as follows:

	First quarter.	Second quarter.	Total.
By sea, gals	1,000,000	1,963,000	2,963,000
By rail	39,856	98,103	137,911
From interior	4,504	26,760	30,260
Total	1,044,716	2,087,863	3,131,171
Same time 1872	1,000,000	2,000,000	3,000,000

Most of the wine now exported is from the vintage of 1871, of which there is not a good supply. Mr. Curtis thinks that the first crop sent to market will largely blended with choice varieties than any yet sent abroad, and that the effect will be very favorable to establish the reputation of California as a wine producing country. The crop of 1873 promises to be ago will be small, owing to the severe frosts of April 4th and 5th. Two favorite districts, Sonoma and Napa counties, suffered most severely, and will produce not more than one-fourth the usual crop."

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PITTSBURGH OIL TRADE.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, SATURDAY, August 16, 1873.

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REFINED.

The market is reported rather more firm, with sales of car lots, f. o. b. at works, at 14c per gallon. We have heard of offers to sell large lots as low as 13¾@13c.

OIL BARRELS.

No change in prices, with an active trade demand reported.

[By Western Union Telegraph Line.]

TITUSVILLE, August 15.—The *Herald* says: There was a slight advance in the petroleum markets. On the upper road the market rallied during the day and closed at $1 20. The market in Oil City is quoted at $1 20. At Parker's Landing the market advanced to $1 10@1 15. The home refined market was so in bulk and 12½c in barrels. Sales and receipts:

1,000 bbls upper road, spot	$1 17¾
1,000 bbls upper road, spot	1 15
1,500 bbls upper road, spot	1 17¾
5,000 bbls upper road, spot	1 20
1,000 bbls Oil City, spot	1 20
5,000 bbls Oil City, spot	1 15

NEW YORK, August 15—Closing 14.—There has been a very quiet trade to-day. Crude in bulk is nominal at 9c, with about 6c bid. Most of this month's delivery is held at 10¼c, but futures are available at 10c. We understand that about 90,000 have been taken, but the price is not reported. Naptha is wholly nominal, and quoted at 9@9½c. For Philadelphia delivery there is very little inquiry at the moment, with refined quoted at 15¼@16c.

OIL CITY, August 15.—Market dull at $1 20½.

TITUSVILLE, August 15.—Market not fairly opened; spot $1 20@1 22½.

TIDIOUTE, August 15.—Market lower and firmer at $1 05 bid. No sales.

PETROLEUM CENTRE, August 15.—Market very quiet and we quotest $1 10.

ROUSEVILLE, August 15.—Market quiet and dull at $1 00@1 05.

PARKER'S, August 14.—Market firm at $1 20@1 25, [By Pacific and Atlantic Telegraph Line.]

PARKER'S, August 15.—Grace struck another well last night, called "Anna May," which is doing about 600 barrels per day.

TIDIOUTE, August 15.—Market quiet at $1.

PHILADELPHIA, August 15.—Refined, 16c; crude, 3½c in bulk; in bbls, 11c; futures, 16c.

FOXBURG, PA., August 15.—Market very quiet, at about $1 10@1 20.

TITUSVILLE, August 15.—Market very quiet, and nothing doing, at about $1 22½.

OIL CITY, August 15.—Market very dull at $1 20@ $1 22.

PARKER'S, August 15.—Market firm and quiet at $1 15@1 20. No sellers.

Crude Oil Received by Allegheny Valley R. R.

Shipper.	Consignee.	Bbls.
Fisher Bros	Standard O W	457
Fisher Bros	Standard O W	553
Thos Hackett	Nonpariel O W	161
Jos Bushnell	Liberty O W	475
Fisher Bros	Iron City O W	466
Jos Bushnell	Crystal O W	482
Fisher Bros	American O W	540
Thos Hackett	American O W	551
Thos Hackett	American O W	482

Crude Oil Received by Rail and River.

		Bbls.
Standard O W	457 Sunbeam O W	553
Nonpariel O W	161 Liberty O W	475
Iron City O W	463 Crystal O W	482
American O W	1,096	
Total		4,387

WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE PIG IRON AND BLOOM MARKET.

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The following sales are reported:

Bluminous Coal Smelted from Lake Superior Ore.

500 tons gray red short	$38 00—4 mos.
400 tons gray forge, f. o. b. furnace	34 00—4 mos.
200 tons gray neutral from yard	34 00—4 mos.
50 tons foundry from yard	36 00—cash.
50 tons foundry	36 00—cash.
20 tons No. 2 foundry	40 00—4 mos.

Anthracite.

500 tons gray forge	$31 50—5 mos.
200 tons gray neutral forge	34 50—4 mos.
60 tons No. 2 foundry	35 00—5 mos.
60 tons No. 2 foundry	36 00—4 mos.
50 tons B. M. from yard	36 50—4 mos.
50 tons No. 2 foundry from yard	22 00—4 mos.
40 tons No. 1 foundry from yard	41 00—4 mos.
20 tons No. 2 foundry from yard	35 00—4 mos.
210 tons chilled Pittsburg at the furnace for the West	41 00—4 mos.

Charcoal.

20 tons cold blast No. 2	$58 00—4 mos.
10 tons white	59 00—4 mos.

Connellsville Coke.

100 tons gray forge furnace	$33 50—4 mos.

Billetts

120 tons New York	$105 00—6 mos.

Receipts of Blooms, Pig Metal and Ore.

Following are the receipts of blooms, pig metal, and ore for the last twenty-four hours:

PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE AND CHICAGO RAILWAY F. R. H. LESSER.

Cars.		Cars.
Nimick & Co. m	Loomis & C. m	1
Caughey & Hallman, m	1 Carnagie, R. & Co. m	4
Wharton Bros, m	4	
Total		10

CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH RAILROAD.

Cars.		Cars.
Lucy Furnace, o	3	Shoenberger, B & Co, o
Jno Mourhead, o	2	3
Total		40

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

Cars.		Cars.
Nimick & Co. m	5	J W Porter, m
Total		7

PITTSBURGH, CINCINNATI AND ST. LOUIS RAILROAD.

Cars.		Cars.
Wharton Bros, o	4	
ALLEGHENY VALLEY RAILROAD.		
Cars.		Cars.
Lewis, O & P, m	7	Kloman, C & Bro, m
Total		8

IRON MARKETS.

CLEVELAND.

August 13.—The principle feature of the pig iron market for the past fortnight has been an increased activity. It seems to be the impression among foundrymen that the market has reached the bottom in prices, and some are laying in their fall stocks. Perceptibly, however, have not become any better under the active market. Bituminous foundry is held at $34@36; very little is contracted ahead, however, at these figures.

Anthracite irons have acted in sympathy with bituminous, and have declined, though not in the same proportion, it being held at from $45 to $47.

Soft irons, made from black band ores, and answering the wants of specific brands are fairly active. Many of the furnacemen, in view of the high figures attained last fall by Scotch irons, were induced to turn their attention to the manufacture of metal especially adapted to use where fluidity is required. At present there is a lively competition between the different brands of this nature.

The Scotch market is inactive, and suffers materially from the introduction of the Scotch ores. There are no importations of recent date, this market being well stocked. Jobbing range from $50 to $52.

Lake Superior charcoal is in good demand, especially for car wheel and malleable use. The Peterson furnace, with a large production on hand, has established the reputation of California as a wine producing country. Some of the furnaces which a year ago will be small, owing to the severe frosts of April 4th and 5th. Two favorite districts, Sonoma and Napa counties, suffered most severely, and will produce not more than one-fourth the usual crop."

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New York Finance and Trade.

Gold Closed at 114¾.

NEW YORK, August 15, 1873—4 P. M.

MONEY.

Money closed at 2¾ to 2¾ per cent.

EXCHANGE.

Sterling exchange weak and lower at 108¾@108¾ for sixty days and 109¾@109¾ for sight.

GOLD.

The Gold Exchange was excited to-day over large transactions by Gould's brokers, one firm bought eight millions at 114¾ to 114¾. It is thought the purchase was made to prevent a decline to 114, as the market showed great weakness during the morning. The fact that the premium advanced so little gave rise to the belief that the purchases and sales were "washed." At the opening the price was 114¾, but soon declined to 114¾, afterward advancing to 115 and closing with sales at 114¾. Loans were 1a2 per cent. to flat for carrying. Clearings unusually heavy, amounting to $99,000,000. The Assistant Treasurer disbursed $119,000. Customs receipts to-day $350,000. Total imports for the week ending to-day $8,016,666, of which $2,076,668 were dry goods and $3,000,000 merchandise.

GOVERNMENTS.

Governments closed strong with an active demand and limited offerings:

U. S. coup, '81	119¾	5-20s, '67	119¾
5-20s, '62	117	5-20s, '65	119
5-20s, '64	118	5-20s, '65, new	114¾
5-20s, '65	118	10-40s	114¾
New 5-20s '65	117¾	Currency 6s	113¾

STATE BONDS.

State bonds dull.

Missouri	92	Virginia, old	42¾
Tennessee, old	82	N. Carolina, old	27¾
Tennessee, new	81¾	N. Carolina, new	18¾
Virginia, new	50		

STOCK EXCHANGE.

With the exception of the transactions in Pacific Mail the Stock market was devoid of interest. The fluctuations, with the exception of that stock, were from ⅛ to ⅜ per cent. The changes in Pacific Mail were from 40¾ to 41¾, back again to 41 and up to 41¾. The market closed quiet with a firm undertone.

Canton	98	St. Paul preferred	71¾
W. U. Tel. Co	91¾	Toledo & Wabash	70¾
Quicksilver	25	Do preferred	89
Adams Express	94¾	Fort Wayne	93¾
Wells, Fargo & Co	24¾	Terre Haute	29
American Ex. Co	62	Do preferred	48
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Pacific Mail	40¾	Do preferred	111¾
N. Y. Central	105¾	Ohio & Mississippi	39¾
Erie	99¾	C., C. & I. C.	98
Do preferred	113¾	Baltimore & Ohio	104¾
Harlem	131¾	Lake Shore	93¾
Do preferred	135¾	Panama	91¾
Michigan Central	93	Illinois Central	108
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PROVISIONS—Pork steady at $16 00. Lard quiet at 7¾@7¾. Bulk meats steady at 8.@9c. Bacon quiet and unchanged.

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CITY MATTERS.

PATRONS of the COMMERCIAL leaving the city for the summer months, can have the paper mailed regularly to them by leaving word at the counting room.

Letters Held for Postage.

PITTSBURGH, August 15, 1873.

	Cents.
Burrows, C. A., Bennett, Pa.	3
Bramlett, Hon. Thos. S. Louisville, Ky.	3
Cramp, Samuel, New York.	3
Gordon, Theodore, Cumminsana, O.	3
Hall, George, Longsburg, Pa.	3
Manning, James, Cowan, Pa.	3
Montgomery, J.	3
Scott, Colonel Thomas, Philadelphia, Pa.	3
Tice, Thornton, Pittsburgh, City, Kan.	3
Welsch, Jos., Wyandotte City, Kan.	3

J. H. SEWARD, P. M.

Target Practice.

The Kilgore Zouaves, Lieut. Beifore commanding, leave to-day at 7:30 A. M. for New Texas, where they will engage in target shooting with the Pearson Zouaves. The Pearsons are also to be inspected.

Revenue Law Breaker Arrested.

United States Detective Pender yesterday brought from Cannonsburg, Washington county, Parson Robinson, a colored man, who is charged with offenses against the revenue law. Parson is advanced in years, but gave officer Pender some trouble before he was secured. He was committed to jail to await a hearing.

The Board of Health.

Yesterday there should have been a meeting of the Board of Health but the number present, Messrs. Gilmore, House, and Fleming, was short of a quorum. The Health Officer made a communication from Mr. Nelson of the Thirtieth ward, fined for neglecting to clean a cess pool, asking for a remittance of the amount. There being no quorum no action was taken.

Horse Stealing.

A brown mare was stolen early yesterday morning from a Mr. Lytle, at little Washington, and with the animal the thief started to this city. A telegram dispatched from Washington he appropriated a buggy and a set of harness from another man. The loss was soon discovered and officer Mateer, to whom the chief was traced, with the stolen property, as far as Temperanceville, and there lost. Lieutenant Gilgar, of the city police, visited the various livery stables, but could not hear anything of them.

Park Concert To-night.

Following is the programme for the concert by the Union Cornet Band, to-night, in the Allegheny Park:

Casualty Quick March	Zartner.
Combighter Fence March	Von Hamm.
Waltz—Driven from Home	Ch. Bach.
Dolorosa Polka	F. Goetz.
Song Without Words	Mendelssohn.
Gipsey's Warning (quickstep)	Meyerocer.
Angeline Polka	E. Marie.
Mestey Waltz	Fields.
Messe Perle March	Chr. Frehde.
Fig	

A First Rate House.

The Lake House, at Stoneboro, Mercer county, is one to which the remark with which this article is headed may most appropriately be applied. The rooms are comfortably furnished, well ventilated and carefully attended; the table spread with the best of food, well cooked and served by polite waiters, and to not serve guests unless "tipped" is an utter stranger, and the whole presided over by Capt. James Leslie, the very personification of hospitality and good cheer, whose good humor is in proportion with his avoirdupois—and that is immense. The clerk, Mr. M. Hargan Brooks, is a capital fellow, genial and accommodating. The surroundings of the house, too, are highly attractive. There are pleasant roads through the adjacent forest and country, and the air is pure and bracing. Those who desire to spend a month or two in the country could not do better than to go to the Lake House. It can be reached by the Jamestown and Franklin Railroad.

CITY MATTERS IN BRIEF.

CAPT. BARKER was sent to Claremont yesterday by the Mayor.

SAMUEL MILES was yesterday sent to the Workhouse for sixty days, by Mayor Galway.

THE attention of the Board of Health is called to the sales run and other nuisances in the vicinity of Forbes street, in the Ninth ward.

DR. GEORGE H. KEYSER will deliver his lecture on "Eloquence," on Sunday evening, August 31st, in the basement of St. Paul's Cathedral.

AN investigation into the management of the police affairs of Allegheny is not improbable, judging from the utterances of members of Councils.

ANNIE MURPHY was committed to jail, yesterday, by Deputy Mayor Nichols, to answer a charge of malicious mischief preferred by Michael Mulroy.

A RUNAWAY accident occurred at the East End of the city yesterday evening, resulting in the serious injury of the driver of a horse and buggy. No names.

THE Tarentum camp meeting will be continued until Thursday next. The weather has been very unfavorable, not withstanding the attendance is large.

THE water supply on the South Side has been increased two million gallons daily by the addition of a new pump. The daily supply is now five million gallons.

E. WILHELM and wife, and Emma Smith, have been committed to jail by Alderman Koenig, to answer a hearing on a charge of keeping a disorderly house, on information of Richard Allen.

MRS. BERKOWITZ, wife of Louis Berkowitz, one of the old residents of Allegheny, had arrived home, after an absence of nearly a year. Her numerous friends will be pleased to hear that she returns in improved health.

ROBERT EARLY was doused yesterday by Mary McClure—at least she made oath before Alderman Thomas that Mary poured a bucket of water on her head, drenching her completely. An officer is after Mary.

JAMES HAGAN, having been nipped on the leg by a poodle belonging to his neighbor Phillips, complained to Alderman Thomas yesterday, and Phillips will be called to answer a charge of keeping a ferocious animal.

THE Williamsport *Gazette* of Wednesday says: A number of Pittsburgh citizens are in the city for the purpose of examining the Wood's pavement. It is their intention to visit Elmira and New York city at the close of their investigations here.

A RAFT of lumber, containing 150,000 feet, broke loose yesterday at Sharpsburg, and was considerably broken up by coming in contact with the railroad piers. It belonged to Messrs. Houck, Davis & Caine. It floated into the Ohio in sections, and will be difficult to gather up.

ELIZABETH STAUFFER yesterday entered complaint before Alderman McKenna Smith, of Allegheny, charging her husband, Benedict Stauffer, with desertion, *failing to provide for his family*, and with calling occasionally and beating her. Benedict will be held to a strict account.

A MAN NAMED Hart was cut in a fracas, on Saturday night last, in a saloon on Beaver avenue, the blade of the knife cutting a vein beneath the eye. Yesterday he went to Alderman Gripp's office, and the wound broke out afresh, causing great loss of blood and, perhaps, endangering the man's life.

LT. JOHN HAGUE, a former resident of this city, but now of Lasalle, Ohio, is on visit to the haunts and scenes of his youth. Lt. H. went through the war with Mexico with the Duquesne Greys, returning with a good record for courage and soldierly conduct. If our memory is not at fault he served in the war of the rebellion.

FROM visits to the Fire Alarm Telegraph office this week, we find that there are but two men to stand watch, each, during the night, although seems a little hard for men under only seventy-five dollars per month. Chief Engineer White should make arrangements for an extra hand when one of the regulars is off. By the way is there not a vacancy in the office to-day?

The hearing in the case of David Robinson, Jas. J. Donovan, Thomas Patterson, Neely Burns, Thos. Murphy and Hendricks, charged with being concerned in the shooting of officer Doyle, on the 19th of July last, resulted in the discharge of Murphy, Murphy and Henderson. Donovan and Burns were held to bail for trial, and Patterson gave bail for a further hearing before Deputy Mayor Irwin.

ANNIE PAYNE and Eliza Stewart were very friendly until recently—so mutually obliging that they wore one another's clothing occasionally. They fell out, got into each other's wool, and Eliza was slapped right hard. Annie had borrowed a pair of Eliza's shoes, and Eliza had not returned them before they got hurt. Now Annie has to appear before Alderman Thomas and answer a charge of larceny as bailee.

On Tuesday next the incorporators of the Youghiogheny Navigation Company will meet at McKeesport for the purpose of organizing and opening the subscription books. It is expected action will also be taken with reference to the proposed convention to be held at Cumberland, in June of next year, to reconsider the practicability of extending the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal to the Ohio river, via Wills creek and the Youghiogheny river.

AS will be seen by a card in our advertising columns, Mrs. Helen F. Jenkins will be prepared, after September 8th, to give to ladies, married or single, private instruction in the French language, and in literature and history. Mrs. Jenkins is a lady of finished education, and endowed by nature with the rare gift of readily imparting information to others. Those who place themselves under her tuition will be generally certain to make rapid progress in their studies.

THE charge preferred by Mr. J. M. Fullerton against Mr. Wm. Fleming, baggage master on the Western Pennsylvania Railroad, was promptly dismissed by Alderman Anderson. Mr. Fullerton gave a dog in custody of Mr. Fleming, as baggage-master, and it managed to get loose and escape. Whereupon a suit was commenced against the baggage-master for larceny of the dog. Mr. Fleming has sustained a high character for honesty and promptness, for many years, and is not going to tarnish his good name for the sake of a cur.

THE case of J. F. Hunker vs. Wm. Sumner & Co., recently reported, was decided before Alderman Donaldson, yesterday, Thomas Adamson, in favor of the plaintiff, as the sewing machine agent agreed to furnish a machine which the "old lady could run," and this he has not been able to do. Probably that the matter will be amicably adjusted, although it will be a somewhat difficult job for the company to furnish the lady with a machine that she can run—if she don't want to run it.

ADDITIONAL RIVER DISPATCHES.

OBSERVATION, SIGNAL SERVICE, U. S. A.,
PITTSBURGH, August 15, 1873.

Daily report of the stage of water, with changes in the twenty-four hours ending 3 P. M.

STATIONS.	ABOVE LOW WATER. Ft.	In.	CHANGE. Ft.	In.	DIRECT'N OF WIND.	STATE OF WEATHER.
Cairo	12	6	—0	2	E.	Cloudy.
Cincinnati	4	0			E.	Fair.
Davenport	3	0			N. W.	Cloudy.
Freeport, Pa.	5	5	+5	0	N. W.	Cloudy.
Keokuk	9	2	—2	9	E.	Cloudy.
Leavenworth	2	9	—0	9	N. W.	Cloudy.
LaCrosse	2	0	—0	2	S. W.	Lt Rain.
Louisville	4	5	—0	6	S.	Fair.
Nashville	3	0	—0	1	S. W.	Cloudy.
Nashville	3	0	+0	4	N. W.	Fair.
New Orleans	1	6	+0	1	E.	Fair.
Omaha	7	0			E.	Fair.
Pittsburgh	9	2	+4	6	W.	Fair.
Shreveport	13	5	—0	5	E.	Cloudy.
St. Louis	11	4	—0	4	E.	Threat'ng
St. Paul	1	8	+0	2	N. W.	Cloudy.
Yankton	8	2				

JAMES B. MURRAY,
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Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, August 15.—River seven feet six inches and falling. Arrived—Ashland, Waceling. Fair and pleasant.

Lo Iuville.

LOUISVILLE, KY., August 15.—The river falling, with four feet six inches in the canal and two feet six inches in the chute. The new wrecking boat, Charlie Hill, will leave early in the morning to raise a barge of iron ore sunk at Three Mile Island. Business dull for both freight and packets. The Bastrop will leave for New Orleans to-morrow evening, and the Idlewild for Cincinnati early, with prospect of fair. Arrived—J. D. Parker, Memphis. Departed—J. D. Parker, Cincinnati.

St. Louis.

EVANSVILLE, IND., August 15.—Clear and cool; mercury 64 to 92. River has fallen six inches. Port List—To-day's departures: Argosy, Quickstep, Cairo and return; George Roberts, Henderson and return; Fred Kneale, Grand View and return; Raphian Roe, 2, Bastport; Tarascon, Louisville and return; Idlewild, Cincinnati; generally with good trips. Business dull.

Cairo.

CAIRO, ILL., August 15.—Arrived—Capital City, St. Louis; J. M. Kellogg, St. Louis; Carrie E. Belle, Evansville. Departed—Capital City, Vicksburg; Grafton, South. The steamer Eckert took an excursion party up Tennessee river to-day. The Capital City reports six feet five inches to St. Louis. The Belle of Memphis, Yeager and Graham aground just above Greenfield landing. River has fallen two inches. Cloudy and warm.

St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, August 15.—Arrived—Northwestern, Kentucky; St. Louis, Missouri river; Julia, Vicksburg; Legal Tender, Memphis; Adelia, Hickman. Departed —Northwestern, Keokuk; Rose, Illinois river; Howard, New Orleans; Belle of Memphis, Memphis. Raining. Cloudy, close and very warm, with two slight showers.

Memphis.

MEMPHIS, August 15.—River declining. Cloudy and hot. Arrived—Nashville, Cincinnati. Departed —City of Vicksburg, late last night, Vicksburg; Longworth, New Orleans; City of Helena, St. Louis; Hattie, Little Rock.

SHERIFF'S SALES

Abstract of Properties to be Sold by John H. Hare, Esq., Sheriff, on Monday, September 1st, 1873, at 10 O'clock A. M., at the Court House, City of Pittsburgh.

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Henry Hoellinger and Mary Ann Hoellinger, his wife. C. P. L. F. 60, September, 1873. $1,878 00. SIPE.

Lot of ground situate in city of Pittsburgh, (formerly Borough of Lawrenceville), being lot No. 3 in James M. Snowden's plan, fronting 24 feet on Bellefonte street, and running back 127 feet 4½ inches to Snowden alley. See Deed Book, vol. 190, page 303.

H. M. Lee, reputed owner and Robert McCain & Andrew Jas. Forrester, partners as McCain & Forrester, contractors. C. P. I. F. 77, September, 1873. $106 33. F. LUTY.

A two-story brick dwelling house, 25 feet front by about 120 feet deep, and two feet of ground, situate in Fifth ward, city of Allegheny. Beginning on Fayette street 184 feet 4½ inches distant from Fulton street, fronting on south side of Fayette street 40 feet and running back 182 feet to an alley 20 feet wide, being lots Nos. 20 and 21 in plan of sub-division of Fulton farm.

Charles Goettman. C. P. V. E. 83, September, 1873. $503 58. ACHESON.

Lot of ground situate on south west corner of Cheapside and Forbes streets, Third ward, city of Allegheny, fronting on Chestnut street 30½ feet and running back 100 feet to Red Oak alley.

Dr. James E. Huey. C. P. V. E. 84 and 94, September, 1873. $1,000, $2,000. HAMPTON & DALZELL.

A two-story brick dwelling house and outbuildings and a one-story brick store, and lots Nos. 164 and 166, in general plan of borough of McKeesport. Beginning at corner of Market and Third streets in said borough, fronting on Market street 120 feet and running back 140 feet to Blackberry alley.

Margaret M. Day and Josiah W. Day, her husband. C. P. I. F. 92 and 93, September, 1873. $1,661 97. $1,700 44. SWOPE.

Two lots of ground Nos. 3 and 4, in John Grazier's plan, situate in Wilkinsburg, Allegheny county, Pa. Beginning on Ross street, at corner of property of Christian Hanna, fronting together on Ross street 99 feet, and running back 120 feet. See deed book, vol. 220, page 561.

William Kuhlman. C. P. V. E. 95, September, 1873. $254 58. J. M. ACHESON.

Lots Nos. 6, 7, 8 and 9, in C. Johnson's plan of sub-division of Kuhlman's estate, situate in city of Pittsburgh (formerly borough of Ormsby), each fronting 24 feet on southerly side of Larson street and running back 122 feet to Carey alley. On lot No. 7 erected a two-storied brick dwelling and two frame tenement houses. On lot No. 7 are erected a frame building and a frame tenement house. On lot No. 8 are erected a frame blacksmith shop and a two-storied brick dwelling, and on lot No. 9 is erected a frame wagon shop.

James Wilson, deceased, in the hands of Martha Weaver, administratrix, (late Wilson) intermarried with Joseph Weaver, with notice to James Wilson, daughter of Mary Wilson and John M. Hare Wilson, minor children of James Wilson, deceased, by their guardian, Joseph Weaver. C. P. I. F. 122 September, 1873. $329 97. BROWN & LAMBIE.

Lot No. 84 in Wm. Robinson's plan of subdivision of out lots Nos. 179 and 180 in Buena Vista extension, situate in the Second ward, city of Allegheny. Beginning on Resaca street, 268 northwardly from northeast corner of Resaca street and north avenue fronting on Resaca street 20 feet and running back 110 feet to an alley, and having thereon erected a two-story house.

J. C. George, contractor, and Julius Montzheimer and Elizabeth Montzheimer, his wife, owners. C. P. I. F. 129 September, 1873. $275 71. D. F. WATSON.

A two-story brick building with attic, 33 feet by 39 feet, and one-story brick back building with attic, 16 by 17 feet, and lot No. 17 in plan of Geo. H. Brown, Herman Mayer and C. F. Bauer, situate in Indiana township, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, containing 104 feet on Groves street and running back 300 feet.

Nick Altmeyer. C. P. F. F. 131, September, 1873. $346 90. MILLER & MCBRIDE.

Lot of ground situate in the borough of Sharpsburg, Allegheny county, Pa. Beginning at a post on North Canal street, at corner of lot of Andrew McNamara, thence by same northerly 84 feet, more or less; S. 16½°, E. 38 feet more or less; S. 6°, W. 28 feet to place of beginning.

Lot of ground situate in said borough. Beginning on North Canal street, at corner of above described lot, thence northwardly 39 feet, more or less; thence westwardly 85 feet, more or less; thence westwardly 35 feet, more or less, to place of beginning.

On above described lots there is erected a large three story brick tavern stand.

J. W. Gover. C. P. V. E. 141, September, 1873. $66 00. EMERY.

Lots Nos. 36 and 37, in W. G. Lord, Jr.'s plan of lots situate in —— ward, city of Pittsburgh, formerly borough of Mt. Washington, having, together, a front on north side of Wilbert street of 50 feet, and running back to Short alley.

Malakey Burns. C. P. V. E. 142, September, 1873. $253 84. LAZEAR.

Lot of ground situate in the Tenth ward, city of Pittsburgh, being lot "No. 1" in Adam Reineman's plan, see Deed Book, vol. 196, page 186.

James Mullen. C. P. L. F. 176, September, 1873. $806 03. MAGEE.

Lots Nos. 116, 117 and 118 in McLain & Maple's plan of sub-division of Boydstown, situate in the borough of Allentown, beginning on Second street, at corner of lot No. 119, and fronting 75 feet on Second street, and running back 125 feet to Poplar alley.

T. W. Reichard, owner or reputed owner and contractor. C. P. L. F. 177, September, 1873. $178 60. DUFF & LEGGATE.

A one-story frame dwelling house, 16 feet 4 inches by 18 feet 3 inches, with one-story frame kitchen attached to rear, 12 feet 10 inches by 12 feet 9 inches, and lot or curtilage appurtenant thereto, situate in Sixteenth ward, Pittsburgh, beginning on northerly side of Taylor street, 100 feet west from Isabella street, fronting 20 feet on Taylor street, and running back 137 feet to Alley, being lot No. 74 in D. S. Williams's plan.

Constantine Schmoll and Gertrude Schmoll. C. P. L. F. 185, September, 1873. $2,243 49. LOWRIE.

Lot of ground, situate in the borough of Birmingham; beginning on Franklin street, on northwest corner of lot No. 70 in Jno. Brown's plan of subdivision as laid by such, and fronting on Franklin street 40 feet and running back 60 feet. See Deed book, vol. 233, page 267.

James McNall. C. P. L. F. 186, September, 1873. $684 32. J. P. BROWN.

A two-story frame dwelling house and lot No. 103, in John Brown's plan, situate in the borough of St. Clair; beginning on northerly line of Spring street, at southeast corner of lot No. 102, fronting 20 feet on spring street and running back 80 feet.

Phillip Lew. C. P. V. E. 187. F. F. 209 and V. E. 288, September, 1873. $49 60, $2,800, $90 80. Plaintiffs, J. P. BROWN & MCMULLIN.

Lots Nos. 7 and 45 in John Brown's plan of lots. Situate in city of Pittsburgh (late Ormsby borough) fronting 20 feet on north side of Carson street, between Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth streets and running back 100 feet to South street, and having thereon erected a two-story frame dwelling house.

John W. Fryer. C. P. F. F. 192, September, 1873. $200 00. Plaintiff.

Lot of ground situate in Shaler township, Allegheny county, Pa., beginning at a stone on west side of Kittanning road, thence east 35 rods, 4 feet; south 7 rods; west 33 rods 4 feet; north 7 rods to place of beginning, containing 1½ acres more or less. See Mortgage Book, volume 155, page 127.

James Porter and Mary Porter (formerly Mary Dowdle) his wife. C. P. L. F. 195, September, 1873. $1,124 56. FETTERMAN, JOHNSON & FLACK.

Lots Nos. 6 and 7 in plan of Robert H. Lecky, administrator of Wm. Lecky, deceased, situate in McClure township, fronting together 50 feet on north side of Ohio street or avenue and running back 150 feet to an alley. See Deed Book, volume —, page —.

Philip Seibert. C. P. L. F. 196, September, 1873. $2,224 25. FETTERMAN, JOHNSON & FLACK.

Lot No. 16 in Wm. Bates' plan (see plan book, volume 3, page 172), situate in Ross township, Allegheny county, Pa., fronting 34 feet on the public road. See Deed Book, volume 253, page 272.

Charles Straus. C. P. 24 Plu. F. F. 200, September, 1873. $3,000. BURGWIN.

Two lots of ground, Nos. 46 and 47 in John Brown's plan (see plan book, vol. 3, page 5), situate in Twenty-fifth ward, Pittsburgh, formerly borough of East Birmingham. Beginning on northerly side of Wright's alley at corner of lot No. 48, fronting together on said alley 40 feet, and running back 60 feet. On lot No. 47 there is erected a two story frame dwelling house.

Thomas Carr, owner &c., and contractor. C. P. L. F. 219, September, 1873. $102 22. BRUCE & NEGLEY.

A two story stone dwelling, 20 by 16 feet, and lot or curtilage appurtenant thereto, situate in Fourteenth ward, Pittsburgh, on south side of Third avenue and Fourteenth street, and as the plaus made by this firm hold a high representative position, we have concluded to embrace the American public a series of interesting facts, which will serve as a guide to purchasers of the character of this house, and a useful guide in their purchase of planos.

The business of this establishment, whose sales during the past year have been very large, was commenced in 1855 by Mr. H. Kleber, organist of many valuable improvements now used in the piano forte, and by Mr. Safford Kleber in 1869. This gentleman's twenty-one years connection with the firm of Chickering & Sons gives us much pleasure to record.

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DIED:

WILSON—On Thursday morning, August 14th, 1873, at 10 o'clock, ROBERT WILSON, in the fifty-eighth year of his age.

The funeral will take place from his late residence, No. 2728 Carson street, South Side, on Monday morning, at 10 o'clock. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

CAMPBELL—On Thursday morning, at twenty minutes after 9 o'clock, CARRIE A., only daughter of George W. and Eliza Campbell, aged twenty-one months and nine days.

Funeral on SATURDAY MORNING, at 10 o'clock, from the residence of her parents, No. 1345 Federal street, Allegheny. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

BAKEWELL—At the residence of his father, Maplewood, Allegheny Valley Railroad, on Thursday morning, August 14th, 1873, WILLIAM F. BAKEWELL, son of William and Jane H. Bakewell, in the eighteenth year of his age.

The funeral will take place from the residence of his brother, Allan C. Bakewell, No. 100 Penn street, Pittsburgh, on SATURDAY AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

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A two-storied brick dwelling with finished attic and basement, 54 feet by 18 feet, and lot or curtilage appurtenant thereto, situate in Twelfth ward, Pittsburgh. Bounded on the north and west by lands of Wm. H. Dennision, on the north by lands of Wm. G. Hawkins, on the west by the Pennsylvania Railroad, on the south by lands of ——, and on the east and rear by lands of ——, containing about 28 acres.

A. J. Cochrane. C. P. Al. F. F. 47, September, 1873. $5,0000 00. POLLOCK.

A three-story brick house with large two-story brick kitchen adjoining and lot of ground, situate in Twelfth ward, Pittsburgh, being lot No. 319 in plan laid out by executors of Jas. O'Hara, deceased, fronting 24 feet on Penn street and running back between lot of Elizabeth Patterson and lot of John Evans, 109 feet to lot No. 566 in said plan.

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For Costs. BRUCE & NEGLEY.

Two story frame building, 20 by 12 feet, containing two rooms, and lot or curtilage appurtenant thereto. Being lot No. 54 in Jos. M. Gazzam's plan, called "Mount Belin," situate in Fourteenth ward, Pittsburgh, fronting 25 feet on south side of Carson street and running back between lot of Elizabeth Patterson and lot of John Evans, 109 feet to lot No. 566 in said plan.

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For Costs. BRUCE & NEGLEY.

A two-storied brick dwelling with finished attic and basement